

## CLAIMS

We claim:

1           1.    A pool skimmer screen for placement across a mouth of  
2 a swimming pool skimmer inlet, comprising:

3           a substantially rigid support frame having a front surface  
4 and a rear surface;

5           a mesh screen fitted within the support frame; and

6           a plurality of magnets disposed on the rear surface of the  
7 frame;

8           whereby the magnetic mounted frame affords quick and easy  
9 cleaning of the skimmer screen, and whereby bees and other  
10 insects are prevented from entering the swimming pool skimmer  
11 mouth.

1           2.    The pool skimmer screen according to claim 1, further  
2 comprising a plurality of ferromagnetic metallic pads adapted  
3 for being mounted to a non-metallic surface surrounding a  
4 swimming pool skimmer mouth, the metallic pads being  
5 magnetically attachable to the magnets disposed on the skimmer  
6 frame for attaching the pool skimmer screen to a swimming pool  
7 having non-metallic surfaces.

1        3.    The pool skimmer screen according to claim 1, wherein  
2 the mesh screen is stretched tight across the frame.

1        4.    The pool skimmer screen according to claim 1, wherein  
2 the frame is substantially rectangular.

1        5.    The pool skimmer screen according to claim 4, wherein  
2 the magnets are adhesively mounted to the corners of the frame.

1        6.    The pool skimmer screen according to claim 5, wherein  
2 the magnets are rare earth magnets.

1        7.    The pool skimmer screen according to claim 1, wherein  
2 the support frame is hollow.

1        8.    The pool skimmer screen according to claim 7, wherein  
2 the support frame further comprises a buoyant material enclosed  
3 therein, whereby the pool skimmer screen has positive buoyancy  
4 with respect to water contained within the swimming pool.

1        9.    A pool skimmer screen for placement across a mouth of  
2 a swimming pool skimmer inlet, comprising:

3        a substantially rigid, rectangular and hollow support frame  
4 having a front surface and a rear surface;

5        a mesh screen stretched taut across the support frame; and

6        a plurality of magnets disposed on the rear surface of the  
7 frame; and

8        buoyant material disposed within the frame;

9        whereby the magnetic mounted frame affords quick and easy  
10 cleaning of the skimmer screen, and whereby bees and other  
11 insects are prevented from entering the swimming pool skimmer  
12 mouth.

1        10.   The pool skimmer screen according to claim 9, further  
2 comprising a plurality of ferromagnetic metallic pads adapted  
3 for mounting to a non-metallic surface surrounding the swimming  
4 pool skimmer mouth, the metallic pads being magnetically  
5 attachable to the magnets disposed on the skimmer frame, thereby  
6 attaching the pool skimmer screen to a swimming pool having non-  
7 metallic surfaces.